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# **CY 2007 Statistical Highlights for Michigan's Unemployment Benefit Program**

Michigan's unemployment insurance (UI) program issues jobless benefits to workers who become unemployed through no fault of their own. The benefits are intended to help these workers with a source of temporary income while they seek new employment or await recall to their jobs.

The Unemployment Insurance Agency (UIA) administers Michigan's UI program. UIA issues both state and federal jobless benefits and collects Michigan unemployment taxes from employers, which are used to fund unemployment benefit payments.

## Statistics for Michigan's unemployment benefit program

Regular State Benefits	CY 2007	CY 2006
Total weeks	7,343,560	7,770,877
claimed	1,2 12,2 11	.,,
Total weeks	6,467,251	6,879,035
compensated	, ,	, ,
New initial claims filed	543,147	561,788
Total benefits paid	\$1,849,070,905	\$1,972,733,626
Total checks issued	3,398,825	3,594,002
Number of first	435,659	475,596
payments	100,000	,
Average full check amount	\$293.37	\$293.68
Exhaustions	153,995	159,310
Ave. duration of unemployment claim	14.8 weeks	14.5 weeks
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		<u>CY 2007</u>
Relationship between average weekly state benefit claims and total unemployment		
Claims for regular state jobless benefits (monthly average)		
Total unemployment (monthly average)		
Percent of total unemployed claiming benefits		38.8%
Monetary determinations for state unemployment claims		
Number issued		
Number allowed (94.0%)		
Claimants eligible for both maximum benefits and duration		
Claimants who qualified for maximum weekly benefit		
Claimants who actually received maximum number of weeks		
Nonmonetary determinations for state unemployment claims		
Number issued		
Number denied		188,278
42.4% of nonmonetary determinations were denials.		
Major nonmonetary reasons for denying state unemployment claims		
Voluntarily leaving the job (20.0%)		
Failing to meet reporting requirements (43.2%)		
Discharge for misconduct (15.5%)		29,207

### Demographic data for those claiming state unemployment benefits

(monthly averages based on a sampling of state benefit claims)

Sex: Males: 62.3% Females: 37.7%

Ethnic: Hispanic/Latino: 3.6% Not Hispanic/Latino: INA\*: 25.4%

71.0%

Race: White: 56.9% African American: 12.1% Asian: 0.7%

American Indian/Alaskan Native Hawaiian/Pacific INA\*: 29.1%

Native: **1.1%** Islander: **0.1%** 

Age: Under 22: 3.5% 22-24: 6.2% 25-34: 24.4%

35-44: **26.3%** 45-54: **25.2%** 55-59: **7.9%** 

60-64: 4.2% 65+: 2.4%

### Industries:

Agriculture/forestry/fishing: -- 0.8%; Mining: -- 0.4%; Utilities: -- 0.1%; Construction: -- 16.0%; Manufacturing: -- 19.9%; Wholesale trade: -- 3.4%; Retail trade: -- 8.1%; Transportation/warehouse: -- 3.1%; Information: -- 0.8%; Finance & insurance: -- 2.4%; Real estate: -- 1.3%; Professional/scientific/technical services: -- 4.5%; Management of company/enterprise: -- 0.8%; Administration & support/waste mgmt/remediation svc: -- 12.3%; Education svc: -- 1.9%; Health care & social assistance: -- 5.7%; Arts, entertainment & recreation: -- 2.2%; Accommodation & food svc: -- 4.8%; Other svc: -- 2.0%; Public admin: -- 1.2%; INA\*: -- 8.1%.

### **Occupations:**

Management: -- 5.4%; Business & financial ops.: -- 1.9%; Computer & math: -- 0.9%; Architecture & engineering: -- 1.0%; Life, physical & social sciences: -- 0.2%; Community & social svc: -- 0.5%; Legal: -- 0.2%; Education, training & library: -- 1.4%; Art design, entertainment, sports & media: -- 0.5%; Health care, practice & technical: -- 0.9%; Health care support: -- 2.4%; Protective svc: -- 0.6%; Food preparation & serving related: -- 3.6%; Building & grounds cleaning & maintenance: -- 2.9%; Personal care & svc: -- 1.0%; Sales & related: -- 7.1%; Office & administrative support: -- 6.9%; Farming, fishing & forestry: -- 0.7%; Construction & extraction: -- 6.1%; Installation, maintenance & repair: -- 4.3%; Production: -- 18.6%; Transportation & material moving: -- 4.4%; Military specific -- 0.0%; INA\*: -- 28.6%.

\*INA - Information not available

